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IDEALIST/AIR REFUELING

REF: A. [REDACTED] 903 (NOTAL)

25X1A6c B. [REDACTED] 8867 (NOTAL)

C. [REDACTED] 8909 (NOTAL)

25X1A6c 1. REF B QUOTED REF A AND REQUESTED [REDACTED] RESPONSE.

25X1A6c 2. RE REF A PARA 1. [REDACTED] STILL HAS A REQUIREMENT TO MAINTAIN U-2 AIR REFUELING CAPABILITY. INASMUCH AS ONLY ONE AIR REFUELABLE U-2 REMAINS IN THE IDEALIST INVENTORY, HOWEVER, IT DOES NOT APPEAR PRACTICABLE TO ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN CURRENCY IN AIR REFUELING FOR IDEALIST MISSION PILOTS. [REDACTED] PREFERS INSTEAD TO RE-QUALIFY U-2 PILOTS AND KC-135 AIRCREWS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO A DEPLOYMENT WHICH WOULD REQUIRE AIR REFUELING.

25X1A2g 3. THE ONE REMAINING U-2F IS PRESENTLY BEING UTILIZED FOR FLIGHT TESTS OF [REDACTED] AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR OTHER USE UNTIL APPROX 1 DEC. DEPENDENT ON AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY, 25X1A2g

25X1A6c [REDACTED] AGREEABLE TO PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR [REDACTED] QUALIFICATION/CURRENCY,

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CONTINUATION PROGRAM.

25X1A6c 4. **[REDACTED]** DOES NOT HAVE REQUIREMENT FOR SAC TO CONTINUE PUBLICATION
OF CLASSIFIED DOCUMENT ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR AIR REFUELING U-2
AIRCRAFT.

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